

**NWFPA MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL
2010-2011**

Renewals are due August 1st and become payable by October 1st. Any member who has not renewed by the grace period deadline of October 31st will be dropped from the Association's roll and no longer deemed a member vested with the rights and privileges of membership. Any individual wishing to reinstate his/her membership after October 31st must submit a new application for membership, including all requisite documentation, and will be subject to approval of the Executive Committee.

(**NOTE: Per the NWFPA ByLaws, amended 6/22/2010, the criteria for membership have changed. Please review the attached synopsis and indicate which membership category you are renewing under for the 2010-2011 year. **)

NAME: _____ HOME PHONE: _____

MAILING ADDRESS: _____

EMPLOYER: _____

SUPERVISING ATTORNEY: _____

WORK ADDRESS: _____

WORK PHONE NUMBER _____ FAX: _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____

SPECIALITY: _____

EDUCATION: _____

CERTIFICATION/REGISTRATION (Check all that apply):

CP/CLA ACP/CLAS FRP RP (PACE exam)

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL CATEGORY (Make check payable to: Northwest Florida Paralegal Association):

ACTIVE MEMBER (\$40.00) STUDENT MEMBER (\$20.00)

SUSTAINING MEMBER (\$35.00) ASSOCIATE MEMBER (\$30.00)

PATRON MEMBER (\$50.00)

Date: _____ Signature: _____

PLEASE RETURN COMPLETED FORM AND ANNUAL DUES TO:
Elona M. Jouben, FRP, NWFPA Parliamentarian
Wilson, Harrell, Farrington, Ford, Fricke, Wilson, & Spain, P.A.
307 S. Palafox Street, Pensacola, FL 32502
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ACTIVE MEMBERS

***^aActive membership** is open to any individual who is employed as a paralegal and meets at least one of the following requirements. This is the only membership classification which carries full voting privileges. Active members are also the only NWFPA members who may serve as members of the Executive Committee or committee chairpersons:

1. Any individual who has successfully completed the Certified Paralegal (CP) examination of NALA, or the Paralegal Advanced Competency Examination (PACE) of NFPA, whose certification has not expired;
2. Any individual who has graduated from an ABA-approved program of study for paralegals;
3. Any individual who has graduated from a course of study for paralegals, which is institutionally accredited but not ABA-approved, and which requires not less than the equivalent of 60 semester hours of classroom study;
4. Any individual who has graduated from a course of study for paralegals, other than those set forth in 2 and 3 above, who has no less than six months of on-the-job training as a paralegal, and whose attorney/employer attests that such person is qualified as a paralegal; or
5. Any individual who has a minimum of two years of on-the-job training as a paralegal, whose attorney/employer attests that such person is currently employed as a paralegal as defined in the NWFPA Bylaws;
6. Any individual who has received a baccalaureate degree in any field from a college or university which is institutionally accredited, plus not less than six months in-house training as a paralegal, whose attorney-employer attests that such person is qualified as a paralegal as defined in the NWFPA Bylaws.
7. Any individual who has a minimum of three (3) years of law-related experience under the supervision of an attorney, including at least six (6) months of in-house training as a paralegal, whose attorney-employer attests that such person is qualified as a paralegal as defined in the NWFPA Bylaws.
8. Any individual who is registered with the Florida Bar as a Florida Registered Paralegal (FRP) in good standing.

STUDENT MEMBERS

Student membership is open to any individual who is an actively enrolled student in good standing in a paralegal program at any college, junior college, university, or other school, which school and program is a.) ABA approved, or, b.) institutionally accredited, and which requires not less than the equivalent of 60 semester hours of classroom study, and who submits an attestation signed by a professor or administrator of such program attesting to

The Association reserves the right to deny or revoke membership to any applicant who fails to meet the definition of paralegal as set forth in the NWFPA Bylaws, Article IV

such enrollment. Individuals employed full-time as a paralegal while pursuing a course of study as a paralegal are not eligible for student membership.

In the event a student member completes schooling during the Association's fiscal year, student membership may be extended until August 1st of the current year following completion of schooling. At that time, the member must become an Active member of this association.

SUSTAINING MEMBERS

Sustaining membership is available to those individuals who meet one of the following requirements:

1. Individuals who previously were Active Members but have now retired from the paralegal profession, or
2. Individuals meeting the requirements of Active Membership but not currently employed as a paralegal, or
3. Individuals who previously were NWFPA members but have moved out of the area and wish to maintain membership in NWFPA.

ASSOCIATE MEMBERS

Associate Membership is available to those individuals who meet at least one of the following requirements:

1. Members of bar associations endorsing the paralegal concept or involved in the promotion of the paralegal profession, or
2. Members of the educational field endorsing the paralegal concept or involved in the promotion of the paralegal profession, or
3. Schools offering paralegal education programs that are either approved by the American Bar Association or in substantial compliance with its guidelines and accredited by a nationally recognized accrediting agency, or
4. Individuals directly involved in the supervision of paralegals.

PATRON MEMBERS

Patron membership is available to those individuals or organizations which support the principles, objectives, and programs of the NWFPA and the promotion of the paralegal profession through their endorsement and contributions.